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Governor Moves Forward to Create State Energy Policy

Governor Bredesen signed an Executive Order on March 19 establishing the Governor's Task Force on Energy Policy. The Task Force is charged with developing a state energy plan to make Tennessee a leader in energy efficiency and conservation, use of alternative fuels and renewable energy sources, and the development of clean-energy technology.

"In the past week, as oil prices hit an all-time high and higher gas prices continued putting a pinch on consumers and businesses, it has underscored the reality of the rising demand for energy. We need to begin thinking about a broader energy policy in Tennessee and across the country," Bredesen said. "Tennessee is truly positioned to be a leader in the development of regional and national energy solutions that can provide economic and environmental benefits to our citizens. We just need to seize the challenge and get to work."





Governor Bredesen (seated) is surrounded by task force members and state officials as he signs Executive Order 54 establishing a Governor's Task Force on Energy Policy for Tennessee.

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Road-signs Alert Public to Watershed Resources

By Paul Sloan, Deputy Commissioner

Tennessee is a state rich in valuable water resources. We rely on our rivers, streams and lakes for everything from recreation to irrigation to drinking water supplies. Our smallest headwater streams drain into larger and larger water bodies, and the land areas that drain into these waters, both large and small, make up our watersheds. Ultimately, every watershed in Tennessee, except the Conasauga River in the southeast part of the state, drains into the Mississippi River. Protecting our waters is most effective when we take a watershed approach.

On Earth Day 2007, Environment and Conservation and the Department of Transportation announced a joint project to place watershed signs along roadways across Tennessee. These signs are designed to increase public awareness regarding the importance of watersheds and to encourage good stewardship of the state's valuable rivers, streams, wetlands, lakes and groundwater. As we lead up to Earth Day 2008, we're pleased to announce we're nearing completion of this project.

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Newly installed Red River Watershed sign on I-65N in Robertson County. Watershed image was designed by TDEC's Jeff Law.

Road-signs Alert Public to Our Watershed Resource (continued)

The green watershed signs are located at various points of entry to 55 watersheds throughout Tennessee. Each watershed has two or more signs, depending on its geographic location and the number of major highways entering the watershed. The two departments split the cost of these watershed signs, which totaled approximately \$280,000.

The watershed names used on the signs reflect those used by our Water Pollution Control staff in its watershed management system and are consistent with the naming system utilized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and dozens of watershed organizations across the state. Typically, these names are based on the main feature in the watershed to provide more precise information and to avoid confusion. For example, the Cumberland River runs nearly 700 miles and the entire Cumberland River Basin covers about 18,000 square miles. It is composed of 14 different watersheds, including Lake Barkley, Cheatham Lake and Old Hickory on the main stem of the Cumberland and the Harpeth River, Stones River and Red River watersheds as tributaries.

The signs reinforce the department's watershed management approach. Our environmental specialists are continually collecting, analyzing and interpreting water data in order to determine the quality of the state's waters and inform our citizens of the progress being made to improve Tennessee's water resources. Through these efforts – from watershed signs to the public comment period on the 2008 303(d) list – citizens gain a better understanding of how activities in watersheds affect the quality of their water.

The reason behind this program was to increase awareness and discussion among Tennesseans about our watersheds, and clearly the signs have achieved this purpose. The driving public has noticed these watershed signs. Many citizens are learning a watershed is the entire land area that drains into a lake, river or other water body. They are learning if you want to protect the water supply, first you protect the land.

Inquiries, questions and education regarding watersheds will present a number of opportunities for us to communicate our message about sound watershed management that protects Tennessee's vital water resources. We believe the new watershed signs will help even more people recognize that what we put in our yards, throw from our cars, and the rainfall that washes across our parking lots all have a significant impact on the waters we rely on and enjoy.

While other states, such as North Carolina and Virginia, have used watershed signs as part of a strategy for public education, the Tennessee partnership between TDOT and TDEC demonstrates even greater cooperation between state agencies to support clean water messages and watershed restoration for our communities. These watershed signs complement and amplify local watershed restoration efforts that involve local governments, watershed groups and state government. There is tremendous excitement and support for these signs among community and clean water advocates.

I encourage you to visit our watershed signs initiative Web page at www.tn.gov/environment/watershedsigns. This site features maps, posters, brochures and tips for protecting water quality and helpful information for promoting healthy watersheds and clean water to individuals and groups.

TDEC in the News: Protecting Waters Held in the Public Trust

Our department is actively opposed to a bill (HB4185) that proposes to remove significant water quality protections for wet weather conveyances under Tennessee's Water Quality Control Act. While bill proponents refer to "limited resource waters" or "dry ditches," these wet weather conveyances serve a vital purpose in each watershed. Whatever is dumped in them finds its way into our rivers next time it rains. Narrowing the definition for "waters of the state" as prescribed by this bill would undermine TDEC's ability to regulate pollution in our waterways and jeopardize millions in federal funding. Removing current protections that prevent pollution from running into streams would damage overall water quality and quantity. Every major daily newspaper in Tennessee has issued an editorial supporting the department's position:

Tennessean Editorial: Move to reclassify streams a risk to clean, ample water Memphis Commercial Appeal Editorial: When it rains, they pour Knoxville News-Sentinel Editorial: Keep state's waters – and headwaters – clean Chattanooga Times Free Press Editorial: Protect Our Water Resources

You can read these editorials and other articles at TDEC in the News on the department Intranet at http://intranet.state.tn.us/environment/news/index.shtml

TDEC Recognized by EPA as National Leader in Water Quality Assessment

Environment and Conservation received an award from the U.S. EPA on February 25 at the Kentucky-Tennessee Green Development Conference in Nashville. EPA presented the award to the department for its national leadership in application of EPA's Assessment Database. The database is designed to track water quality assessment data, including information on whether rivers, streams and lakes are meeting their classified uses for things such as recreation and drinking water, as well as the causes and sources of stream impairments. Effective use of the database also helps the department more efficiently prepare water quality reports as required by the federal Clean Water Act, such as the 303 (d) List and the 305 (b) Report.

"I'm pleased our staff in the department's Division of Water Pollution Control have received this recognition for their hard work in collecting and effectively organizing and tracking water quality data," said Commissioner Jim Fyke. "The information helps us to focus our attention on those water bodies in Tennessee that are impaired and in need of restoration."

EPA and Environment and Conservation also partnered at the conference to designate the UT Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment and the Cumberland River Compact as the first Center of Excellence for Watershed Management in Tennessee. EPA's Region 4 Centers of Excellence for Watershed Management Program works with colleges and universities from across the Southeast to provide hands-on, practical products and services for communities to identify watershed problems and solve them.

"I commend UT's Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment and the Cumberland River Compact for their work in protecting Tennessee watersheds," said Environment and Conservation Deputy Commissioner Paul Sloan. "A Tennessee Center of Watershed Excellence can be an important



EPA recognizes Environment and
Conservation as a national leader in its
management of water quality assessment
data for Tennessee at the Green
Development Conference in Nashville
(l-r): EPA Assistant Administrator for
Water Ben Grumbles, Water Pollution
Control GIS coordinator Rich Cochran,
Water Pollution Control Director Paul
Davis and Deputy Commissioner Paul
Sloan.

resource for local governments and stakeholders' groups who recognize the need for using a comprehensive watershed approach to resource management."

The Green Development Conference featured expert presenters from across the country and was designed to promote dialogue and exchange among state and local officials, developers, architects and contractors on aspects of green development and its contribution to the efficient use and quality of state waters. More than 275 attendees representing 50 different communities registered for this multi-day event. Department staff responsible for the planning and production of this highly regarded conference include Paul Sloan, Elaine Boyd, Ken Nafe, Christina Treglia, Kathy Glapa, Saya Qualls, Robbie Karesh and Jennifer Watson.



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Record-setting East Tennessee Environmental Conference Expands in 2008 to Offer New Industrial Track

The seventh annual East Tennessee Environmental Conference was held March 18-19 in Kingsport. New attendance, sponsorship and exhibit records were set in 2008 as almost 400 people participated in one of the tri-state's premier environmental gatherings. A new focus, the Industry track, was added to the existing tracks of Environment, Health and Economic Development to continue building on the conference theme of how a balanced community approach promotes a healthy and prosperous region. The new Industry track offered insights into effective regulatory practices and provided tools to promote costsaving pollution prevention techniques.

Kellene Burn-Roy, vice-president with the environmental consulting firm CDM, opened the conference by bringing her national perspective and experience from working with groups that are Creating a Sustainable Future for America's Cities. "Today, the challenges facing our country are what some might say is the perfect storm

(l-r) Jan Compton, Johnson City Field Office Environmental Coordinator; Betty Payne, Eastman Chemical; Jennifer Reynolds, Keep Greene Beautiful; Heather Clever, Keep Washington Beautiful

of events and conditions that give us the rare opportunity to drive our efforts for sustainable solutions," said Burn-Roy. "The time is now for a new and fresh approach to change the tide and create a positive sustainable legacy for our cities."

Commissioner Jim Fyke shared an entertaining keynote address during Tuesday lunch with stories and the video behind Tennessee State Parks receiving the prestigious 2007 Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management, the highest honor in the industry. "Just as I am proud of the men and women of state parks that have achieved this national recognition for Tennessee," said Commissioner Fyke, "I am also grateful for the many department staff that play an important role in making the East Tennessee Environmental Conference such a popular event for this region. Effective promotion of smart choices at the community level leads to an improved environment and better health."

Nearly 50 exhibitors and sponsors hosted booths, offered

exhibits and sponsored breaks to promote attendee networking and participation. Speakers, planning team members and out-of-town guests were invited to dinner on Monday and Tuesday evening at unique, local restaurants. "As this conference continues to grow, the Planning Committee works hard to make sure the meeting is organized to benefit both professionals and inter-



Commissioner Fyke delivers the luncheon keynote address at the seventh annual East Tennessee Environmental Conference in Kingsport.

ested citizens," said Mark Braswell, Johnson City Environmental Field Office Director and Planning Committee Chairman. "All attendees profit from the variety of networking opportunities and information sessions. This popular event remains one of the best values for environmental learning in the entire region."

The annual East Tennessee
Environmental Conference is the
result of a partnership between
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College of Public & Allied Health,
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Tennessee Development District,
Keep Bristol Beautiful, Keep
Greene County Beautiful, Keep
Kingsport Beautiful, Keep
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Tennessee Department of Health
and the Tennessee Department of
Environment and Conservation.

For more information visit teh conference's Web site at www.tnenvironment.com.

Tornado Damages Wynnewood State Historic Site

By Jerry Wooten, State Historic Sites Director

On Tuesday evening, February 5, an F3 strength tornado made a direct hit on Wynnewood, the state-owned historic site located at Castalian Springs in eastern Sumner County. The site has withstood many storms over its 180-year history but never anything as devastating as this tornado. Mr. Lee Myers, site manager of more than 35 years, was in the main dwelling when the tornado struck. "It sounded like a jet engine constantly increasing before take off," exclaimed Myers. "I went airborne while hanging onto both sides of a door knob in the hallway of the Bledsoe cabin. "The Bledsoe cabin, built in 1789, was attached to the main dwelling where Myers has called home since 1973. "From my memory, it was over in about seven seconds, but seemed like an eternity."

Fortunately, Myers was not harmed.

The tornado made a direct hit

on the main dwelling and every out building at Wynnewood was either demolished or structurally compromised. The site's historic landscape was even more devastated than the buildings. More than 300 mature and young trees were lost on the heavily shaded hillside where Wynnewood peacefully rested before the tornado.

In the immediate aftermath of the tornado, tremendous efforts were made to recover many of the historic site's furnishings and artifacts that were scattered to the wind. Many of the original items in the house have been recovered thanks to the fantastic response and hard work of our volunteers and rangers from Tennessee State Parks. Two days after the tornado, Governor Bredesen toured the historic site with representatives from FEMA and noted, "We're going to rebuild it, that's for sure."

After the tornado was declared a national disaster on February 22, federal disaster assistance from FEMA will be put to work at Wynnewood to help in the restoration of buildings on the site. While it will take years of recovery before this historic site is a public operation again, Wynnewood will return.



State Park rangers assisting with cleanup at Wynnewood (l-r): Shawn Hughes, Standing Stone SP; Aaron Schapley, Nathan Bedford Forrest SP; Jeremy Vaden, Burgess Falls SP; Randy Smalley, West TN Regional Manager; Michael Hodge, Frozen Head SP; Travis Stover, Standing Stone SP and James Wilkinson, Meeman Shelby SP.

About Wynnewood

Wynnewood, originally constructed as an Inn and tavern in 1828 by Colonel Alfred Royal Wynne, has long been considered to be the oldest and longest log stagecoach Inn ever constructed in Tennessee. The house and its 14 out buildings continually stayed in the possession of the Wynne family until it was deeded to the State of Tennessee along with 14 acres in 1971. Since then, the site has been operated as one of 18 state-owned historic sites under the management of the Tennessee Historical Commission and operated by the Bledsoe Lick Historical Association.



Wynnewood before the tornade



Volunteers from the Bledsoe Lick Historical Association survey the damage done to Wynnewood State Historical Site by the tornadoes of February 5.

Commissioner Fyke Named 2008 Conservationist of the Year

Commissioner Jim Fyke received the 2008 Conservationist of the Year Award from the Tennessee Wildlife Federation on March 19 during the TWF's Annual Conservation Achievement Awards and Legislative Reception held at the War Memorial Building in Nashville. The Federation's Conservationist of the Year Award goes to an individual whose achievements have made the most significant contribution to natural resources conservation in Tennessee.

Commissioner Fyke was honored for the following achievements from 2007:

- More than 100 participants working on 16 different crews participated in the first summer of the new Tennessee Youth Conservation Corps in 2007. TYCC provided meaningful learning and work experiences while completing significant conservation projects that benefit Tennessee State Parks and Natural Areas, including historical preservation, trail construction, archaeological research and exotic plant removal.
- Tennessee State Parks also achieved unprecedented recognition at the national level. On September 26 at the National Recreation and Park Association Congress in Indiana, Tennessee State Parks was named Gold Medal Winner for 2007, the highest honor a park system can achieve.
- Commissioner Fyke was also instrumental in facilitating the partnership that fostered the landmark North Cumberlands Acquisition, a \$135 million total investment that encompasses more than 127,000 acres on the Cumberland Plateau one of the most ecologically significant places left on Earth. The state, through a one-time appropriation approved by the General Assembly, made a historical \$82 million investment in the North Cumberlands Acquisition that represented the largest conservation appropriation by any one state in recent years. This landscape conservation will protect majestic woodlands, mountains, streams and wildlife habitat.

As Commissioner, Jim Fyke has been an active, effective force promoting the conservation of Tennessee's outstanding natural resources. His work with Governor Bredesen and the General Assembly is making sure Tennessee benefits from the largest ever amount of funds set aside in Tennessee for land conservation and protection of special places.

"This recognition of Commissioner Fyke as Conservationist of the Year is well deserved," said Mike Carlton, Assistant Commissioner for Tennessee State Parks. "We are glad he remains hard at work making good things happen for the future of forests, historic landscapes and state parks across Tennessee. Our streams, wildlife habitat and unique natural features will have a better tomorrow because of his work today."

To protect your rivers, protect your mountains. Emperor Yu of China (1600 B.C.)



Commissioner Fyke displays his Conservationist of the Year Award.



State Senator Rosalind Kurita (left) and Commissioner Jim Fyke.



Commissioner Fyke speaks at the celebration for the North Cumberlands Acquisition in Knoxville as Governor Phil Bredesen and Tom Morrow, Lyme Timber Company, look on.



State Parks Resource Management Director Charlie Tate, TDEC Assistant Commissioner Mike Carlton, Cordell Hull Park Manager Robin Peeler and TDEC Commissioner Jim Fyke.

Bridge Renovations Complete at Frozen Head State Park

Renovation to the Judge Branch Bridge at Frozen Head State Park, which is inside the park on Flat Fork Road, are complete and the bridge is reopened. TDOT began renovations to this bridge on February 25 and completed their work in less than two weeks – significantly ahead of schedule. "This bridge renovation will be a real benefit to park users," said park manager David Engebretson. "We appreciate the cooperative relationship between TDOT and State Parks that enabled us to improve and reopen this important bridge so quickly. "This is the second bridge that TDOT has rebuilt at a Tennessee State Park using a "parkitecture" approach where the new, stronger structure still reflects the historical character of the one it replaced.



TDOT contractors put the finishing touches on the renovated Judge Branch Bridge at Frozen Head State Park in Morgan County.

Department Plans Full Slate of Activities for State Natural Areas Week

Governor Phil Bredesen proclaimed April 7-13 Tennessee State Natural Areas Week, and Tennesseans are encouraged to join in a weeklong celebration with activities like wildflower hikes and guided tours. The State Natural Areas Program provides long-term protection for rare, threatened and endangered plant and animal life. The program also protects ecologically sensitive areas, areas of geological and archaeological interest, and areas of great scenic beauty. First established in 1971 by the Tennessee Natural Areas Preservation Act, there are now 77 state natural areas covering approximately 110,000 acres.

"Much like 37 years ago when the public realized the importance of protecting special places and generated significant support for the Natural Areas Preservation Act, people today are interested in understanding and conserving unique landscapes across Tennessee," said Environment and Conservation Commissioner Jim Fyke. "Tennessee's State Natural Areas reassure citizens that some of our most ecologically significant land is being protected for future generations while also available for public enjoyment now."

The week includes a full schedule of events in many of these 77 natural areas. A wide variety of interesting activities - including driving tours, cave exploration and wildflower or birding hikes – are planned to engage Tennesseans in appreciating and enjoying these special places. "I encourage Tennessee residents

to take advantage of the rich diversity found in the plants, animals and forests of our distinctive regions," Fyke said. "Some of the nation's most outstanding species and natural features are found in our State Natural Areas."



Division of Natural Areas will host the Natural Areas Conference here in Nashville at the DoubleTree Hotel October 14-17. Attendees are expected from across the United States and North America.

For details on trips and a complete schedule of Natural Areas Week events, visit www.tn.gov/environment/na/ and click on "Natural Areas Week" or call (615) 532-0431.

New Directors Named for Memphis and Nashville Environmental Field Offices

Deputy Commissioner Paul Sloan and Senior Director for Environmental Field Offices Brenda Apple have announced new Environmental Field Office Directors for our Memphis and Nashville regions. Ms. Cindy Patton and Mr. Barry Brawley began serving as Memphis and Nashville Environmental Field Office Directors on April 1. Each of the department's eight Environmental Field Offices now has a director in place.

"Both Cindy and Barry are highly respected by management, peers and staff alike," said Deputy Commissioner Sloan. "Their diverse work experiences and personal skills make them well equipped to fill these unique positions for the Bureau of Environment."

Cindy has served as Field Office Manager for the Underground Storage Tank program in the Memphis office since 1993 and worked as a consultant in the hydrogeology field prior to joining state government. Barry has served as Field Office Manager for the Division of Remediation program in the Nashville office since 2003 having held several positions during his 11 years with TDEC. He has also worked as a consultant in the hydrogeology field for nearly 18 years.

The Environmental Field Office Director position works closely with the Bureau of Environment leadership team and others in the Commissioner's Office, including the Public Information Office and Legislative Liaison, to facilitate effective communication between the region and Central Office. "Cindy is coming at an important time for the Memphis Field Office as that staff will be moving into a new building," said Brenda Apple. "The Nashville Field Office has a host of new people, including new supervisors. I am confident Barry's leadership will help our Nashville Field Office staff work through the upcoming Edison implementation and prepare them to address other department priorities."

More information about our Environmental Field Offices is available at: www.tn.gov/environment/efo.



Cindy Patton, Memphis Environmental Field Office director.



Barry Brawley, Nashville Environmental Field Office director.

Changes Coming to TN.GOV and Department Web sites

By Jessica Ford, Webmaster

The department has been working with the State Office of Information Resources and the Governor's Communication Office to bring positive changes to the TN.GOV state Web portal and individual agency Web sites. This process began in January with the development of a fresh, streamlined "look and feel" for the state's home on the Web. New designs and templates have been created to help with site maintenance and provide site visitors with a more efficient and user-friendly navigation system. Implementation of these new templates will occur in phases through the remainder of 2008.

Our department's Web site has thousands of pages and millions of visits each month – one of the largest, busiest Internet platforms in state government. While much work will be necessary to reformat our Web sites with new templates and layouts, these changes will provide a host of new opportunities. The new templates will enable us to have more Web content providers throughout the department by using Adobe Contribute; there will be a central "Newsroom" area for agency information on the main TN.GOV site; and state employees will be allowed to "blog" or comment within this area.

While any change of this magnitude is a challenge, we will have a better Internet platform at the state and agency level when we are through. The redesign and conversion process will be staged across coming months, and key TDEC Web contacts will be informed of this schedule. While we encourage divisions and parks to keep their Web pages current and accurate, this will be a difficult time to launch major new Web sections. The new TN.GOV Web site and supporting state agencies have a deadline of January 30, 2009 for all new templates and designs to be in place. Thanks in advance for your help as we make our Web sites even better through this conversion process. Feel free to contact me at 532-0742 or jessica.ford@tn.gov with any questions about Web site issues.

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Mark Your Calendar for Major Events in April



State Natural Areas Week

April 12-13

Fort Pillow State Park 144th Anniversary Reenactment Weekend April 13-15

Standing Stone State Park Naturalist Rally

April 13-19

National Environmental Education Week

April 19-27

National Park Week

April 19-27

National Wildlife Week

April 22

Earth Day

April 25

Arbor Day

April 30-May 2

37th Annual Solid and Hazardous Waste Conference

2008 Greenways and Trails Action Plan Available for Public Comment

The Division of Recreation Education Services (RES) has released the preliminary draft of the 2008 Tennessee Greenways and Trails Plan, *Building Connections – Tennessee Greenways and Trails*, for public comment. The draft outlines priorities and action items for the three-year period from 2008 to 2011. Public comment period runs through April 23. Individuals can share comments on the Plan by sending them to Robert E. Richards, Greenways and Trails Coordinator via email, Robert.Richards@state.tn.us, by fax to 615-532-0778 or mail to 10th Floor, L & C Tower, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243. The plan and appendicies are posted to the department Web site at: www.tn.gov/environment/recreation

Governor proposes State Energy Policy (continued from page one)

In developing the plan, the Executive Order charges the Task Force with identifying:

- Opportunities for state government to lead by example in energy efficiency and conservation, with an emphasis on building construction and management and vehicle fleet management
- Prospective policies, legislation, regulations or incentives to encourage statewide energy efficiency and conservation in the public and private sectors
- Possible public-private partnerships and collaborations to encourage research and development of clean-energy technology and increase economic development potential in the state's energy sector
- Strategies for expanding the use of alternative fuels and renewable energy sources to support the sustainability of Tennessee's environment

The Task Force on Energy Policy will present its findings and recommendations on ways for state government to lead by example by July 1, 2008, and deliver the state energy plan to the Governor by December 1, 2008.

The task force includes representatives of four state agencies, including the commissioners of the Departments of Economic and Community Development, Environment and Conservation, Finance and Administration, and General Services or their designees. "I am enthusiastic about this Executive Order and the work of this Task Force," said Deputy Commissioner Paul Sloan. "Since energy generation and use substantially influence most of the challenges we face within our department, I welcome this order and the look forward to participating in the development of a state energy policy for Tennessee."

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Department Candidates Announced for TGMI Class of 2008

Environment and Conservation will be well represented in the 2008 Class of the Tennessee Government Management Institute. The following TDEC managers have been nominated to take part in this unique leadership training program:

Jim Barnes, Underground Storage Tanks Mike Cole, Tennessee State Parks Philip Davis, Solid Waste Management Steve Goins, Division of Remediation Michael Hoyal, Geology Vojin Janic, Water Pollution Control Randall Mann, Underground Storage Tanks Gary McEntire, Tennessee State Parks Cindy Patton, Memphis Environmental Field Office Tim Poole, Tennessee State Parks Scotty Sorrells, Water Supply Bud Yard, Department of Energy-Oversight

TGMI is the leadership development program created and run by the Department of Human Resources to equip managers in state government with the skills and experiences so they can grow into outstanding executives for Tennessee. TGMI provides a variety of management training opportunities that produce immediate added value for participants and state government. More information on TGMI is available at: www.tn.gov/dohr/TGMI

April Service Anniversaries

5 Years

Jim Fyke, Environment and Conservation Andrew Gray, Paris Landing State Park Lisa Horner, Montgomery Bell State Park Nancy Schelin, Tennessee State Parks Misty Smith, Pickwick Landing State Park John Wright, Underground Storage Tanks

10 Years

Ernestine Davis, Underground Storage Tanks Nancy Gant, Pickwick Landing State Park Jackie Potter, Underground Storage Tanks

15 Years

Tod Braithwaite, Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park Evelyn Haskin, Air Pollution Control Jim Tripp, Ground Water Protection, Cumberland Co. Jeff Utley, Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park Amy Wallace, Dunbar Cave State Park

20 Years

Larry Finley, Pickwick Landing State Park James Payne, Integrated Services Digital Network

25 Years

Cathy Stoecker, Air Pollution Control, Nashville EFO

30 Years

John Booker, Division of Water Supply Clarice Parsons, Tennessee State Parks Essie Peterson, Environment, Memphis EFO Leanne Tippett, Div. of Water Supply, Jackson EFO John White, Division of Human Resources Suzanne Wilkes, Division of Remediation

35 Years

Emma Harris, Montgomery Bell State Park

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